

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION ARIZONA DIVISION 400 East Van Buren Street, Suite 410 Phoenix, AZ, 85004 March 2, 2004

IN REPLY REFER TO
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Arizona FY 2004-2006
Statewide Transportation Program (STIP)
Approval of Amendment No. 1

Mr. Victor M. Mendez Director, Arizona Department of Transportation, (100A) Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Dear Mr. Mendez:

We have reviewed your February 17, 2004 request to amend the FY 2003-2005 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to include three new bridge replacement projects with a total Federal share of \$1,280,000. Your request was submitted prior to the approval of the FY 2004-06 STIP as Amendment No. 19 to the FY 2003-05 STIP. Since the FY 2004-06 STIP has since been approved and does not include these projects, we are treating this as Amendment No. 1 to the FY 2004-06 STIP for review and approval purposes.

We accept this Amendment in accordance with 23 CFR 450 and find that this STIP amendment was developed based on a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with the 23 USC and Section 5303 of the Federal Transit Act (49 USC 53). The changes made to the program by this amendment are either exempt or are regarded as minor project revisions that do not require conformity determinations [40 CFR §93.126].

This letter constitutes approval, and inclusion of Amendment 1 into the Arizona FY 2004-2006 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Our approval is based upon the Arizona Department of Transportation's assurance that the funding for the project in this amendment will not adversely impact the STIP Financial Plan.

Sincerely,

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